A New and Everlasting Covenant

Are we ready to enter into a true covenant with God? Are we ready to have His grace and mercy?

All old covenants are done away, **BUT each of us has to make a one-on-one covenant with the Almighty... directly**. Not through a so-called priesthood – or anyone – to stand between us and our Maker.

Then, if the answer is yes, we have to **hold fast** to the iron rod (not just acknowledge it or even cling to it). The new covenant is THE BOOK OF MORMON!!!

The iron rod appears first with Lehi's vision. Thus he is the beginning prophet to help bring in the new covenant. His posterity inherit the right to make a new and everlasting covenant with God (who is Christ). **TRULY** repentant gentiles will be numbered among his posterity (not pretend repentant people). They will then be responsible to take the fulness of the gospel (the Bible and Book of Mormon) to the Lamanites eventually after the choice seer from the loins of Joseph the son of Lehi (2 Nephi 3: 23-24) comes on the scene to orchestrate much restoration. The Lamanites will then take the lead in establishing the New Jerusalem and gathering the House of Israel.

*8 Therefore repent, and be baptized in the name of Jesus, and lay hold upon the gospel of Christ, which shall be set before you, **not only in this record but also in the record which shall come unto the Gentiles from the Jews, which record shall come from the Gentiles unto you**. (My belief is the B of C, D & C, PoGP, IV cannot be relied upon for doctrine and have interpolations of men).*
9 For behold, this is written for the intent that ye may believe that; and if ye believe that ye will believe <u>this</u> also; and if ye believe this ye will know concerning your fathers, and also the marvelous works which were wrought by the power of God among them.
*10 And ye will also know that ye are a remnant of the seed of Jacob; therefore ye are numbered among the people of the first covenant; and if it so be that ye believe in Christ, and are baptized, first with water, then with fire and with the Holy Ghost, following the example of our Savior, according to that which he hath commanded us, **it shall be well with you in the day of judgment.** (Mormon 7)*

7 But behold, thus saith the Lord God: When the day cometh that they shall believe in me, that I am Christ, <u>then</u> have I covenanted with their fathers that they shall be restored in the flesh, upon the earth, unto the lands of their inheritance.
*8 And it shall come to pass that they shall be gathered in from their long dispersion, from the isles of the sea, and from the four parts of the earth; and **the nations** (not churches) of the Gentiles shall be great in the eyes of me, saith God, in carrying them forth to the lands of their*

inheritance. (2 Nephi 10)

*2 For behold, I say unto you, **as many of the Gentiles as will repent, are the covenant people of the Lord**; (2 Nephi 30)*

31 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel,...
32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers...
33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; (feast upon the Book of Mormon) and will be their God, and they shall be my people.
*34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, (no priesthood, etc.) and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for **they shall all know me**, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.*
(KJV Jeremiah 31)

13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old <u>is ready</u> to vanish away.
(KJV Hebrews 8)

*10 At that day when the Gentiles shall sin against my gospel, and shall reject the fulness of my gospel, and shall be lifted up in the pride of their hearts above **all nations**, (this is a people) and above **all the people of the whole earth**, and shall be filled with all manner of lyings, and of deceits, and of mischiefs, and all manner of hypocrisy, and murders, and priestcrafts, and whoredoms, and of secret abominations; (any guesses as to who is being referenced) and if they shall do all those things, and shall reject the fulness of my gospel, (rejection can be accomplished by following the precepts of men and trusting in the arm of flesh) behold, saith the Father, I will bring the fulness of my gospel from among them.*
*11 And **then** will I remember my covenant which I have made unto my people, O house of Israel, and I will bring my gospel unto them.*
*12 And I will show unto thee, O house of Israel, that **the Gentiles shall not have power over you**; but I will remember my covenant unto you, O house of Israel, and ye shall come unto the knowledge of **the fulness of my gospel**. (3 Nephi 16)*